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The monotony of the dull season was broken last Friday, by a barbecue and picnic at the Park school house, which will long be remembered, as the best barbecue of the season. A fine breeze throughout the day, made it very pleasant and added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. A large crowd gathered early on the grounds, from Gail and the surrounding country, for the people of this section never miss an opportunity of attending a circus, a big meeting or an entertainment of almost any kind, not permitting work or business matters, to stand in the way of pleasure.

The barbecue was in a neighborhood that pride themselves in getting up entertainments of the kind and they never fail to make them as good as the best.

An interesting feature of the entertainment in the forenoon was the tournament, the winning knights were Turner Hutchinson who took first, the Miller boys the second, and Bob Whitaker the third prize, the horsemanship was good, and the riders were vociferously applauded, when successful in taking off the rings. After the tournament dinner was announced, which not to speak of the barbecued meats, was a veritable banquet of all kinds of choice edibles, it being a combination of a barbecue and basket dinner. It was a feast of good things, and much was left over as the number of people was not large enough to consume the bountiful supply.

Next followed a game of base ball, matched between Julia and Gail clubs. The game was an interesting one, the score stand-

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ing 12 to 16 in favor of Julia. While the game was in progress, Squire Hopkins entertained a crowd with an address in favor of local option.

There was an abundance of ice cream, lemonade, sodawater and various other refreshments on the grounds so that all had an opportunity of getting occasionally a cold drink. In the afternoon came on the mirth provoking performances of the mule race and steer and bronc mule riding. The steers were saddled, and one of them did some fine pitching but the rider was not thrown. The youth of Borden county do not hesitate to ride goats, horses, mules or steers, or any other animal if saddled. In the afternoon some amused themselves dancing on the platform prepared for the occasion, which they continu-

ed till the small wee hours of morning. And the pleasure seekers then reluctantly left for home, hoping that the time would not be long before the next.

Mrs. E. Paige has our thanks for the California Pumpkin and nice squashes of her own raising. It is not often that our hearts are cheered by such acts of kindness. We appreciate the motive that influenced Mrs. Paige, quite as much as the present itself; as we think she intended to show that she was pleased with the Citizen and our efforts to make it acceptable to its readers, and so in behalf of the citizen as well as ourself we wish again to express our thanks.

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Special Philippine Correspondence

By S. E. DeRackin.

The principal industry in the Philippine Island, and one capable of being greatly enlarged, is Manila hemp. Sixty per cent of the exports of the archipelago today is of this fiber, yet the industry is still in its infancy. It is estimated by hemp experts that the one Island of Mindanao is capable of producing double the amount of hemp now harvested throughout, the island were capital available for planting and cultivation. Many other islands of the groupe produce this fiber in great abundance, and I consider \$500,000,000 a conservative estimate of the possibilities in this one industry. Many lands and many climes produce sugar, tobacco, rice copra, cocoa and cotton, but no country on the globe save the Philippine Islands can grow Manila hemp. The output is not sufficient to meet the demand. Much of that now produced is transported from the field to the water's edge on the head or shoulders of native packers. This is not only enormously expensive, but it utilizes the labor which should be employed in field and factory.

SUGAR CULTURE.

It would be hard to over-estimate the advantage of the Philippines for the culture of sugars. The soil is of such fertility that it has raised a crop of cane in every one of the last fifty years with little or no fertilizing. During seven or eight months of the year

the forest-covered mountains are veiled in clouds, assuring a plentiful supply of moisture. And so favorable are both soil and climate that the crop matures in twelve months, giving to the planter a crop of cane every year (an advantage rare in any part of the world). In Hawaii, where men are making fortunes in sugar, the average crop requires fifteen months to reach maturity. It is safe to say that nowhere else in the world is there sugar land offering advantages equal to that in the Moro Province.

GUM CHICLE.

The extraordinary demand that has sprung up within a few years for gum chicle has no commercial parallel in modern times other than that furnished by the import banana industry of the United States from Jamaica and Central America. The consumption of chicle has now become so great that the propriety of calling it a minor product may well be questioned; but notwithstanding this great consumption, it is very doubtful if more who use it daily are aware that it is the foundation of all the fine chewing gums in the market. About all the gum raised here goes to the United States where it is absorbed by the trust, known as the American Chicle Company, compounded with much starch, sugar and flavoring adulterants, and in this form finds its way around the world and to an ever-increasing number of victims of the harmless, but unlovely, gum-chewing habit

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IN CONCLUSION.

The Philippine Islands belong to the United States. If they ever change from a liability into an asset, it will be after they have been opened up through the medium of highways and railways. The insular Government has at last secured congressional action which permits the former to guarantee 4 per cent interest on capital actually expended in railway construction in the islands. This means more for the future progress of the Philippines than can possibly be realized by those unacquainted with conditions here.

The vital thing for the American people to understand is the character of the native as a whole, in order to arrive at a just estimate of his fitness for governing himself and the large foreign population resident here. Therefore my next letter will deal with the Filipino and Moro—types distinctly different, though both Malays—as viewed from the standpoint of the white man, American and European.

This is to notify our patrons that our lease of the Gail Hotel having expired, we will discontinue our business to-day. We thank our customers for the kind and liberal patronage they have extended to us. Those indebted to us will please settle at once as it becomes necessary for us to close our books.

JOHN C. HOWE.

To the citizens of Borden county, I beg to say that as I was called off the race for clerk and could not complete my canvass among the people on account of other pressing business I shall not place my petition before the court. I certainly appreciate the support which placed me in the front rank till I was compelled to fall out. Thanks to all.

T. R. MAULDIN.

Miss Ola Kincaid was visiting her sister, Mrs. Arnett this week.

THE LION AND THE MOUSE.

By CHARLES KLEIN.

A Story of American Life Novelized From the Play by ARTHUR HORNBLow.

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It was just striking 7 when he re-entered the courtyard of the Grand hotel. Shirley and Mrs. Blake were waiting for him.

They drove up the stately Champs Elysees, past the monumental Arc de Triomphe and from there down to the Bois. All were singularly quiet. Mrs. Blake was worrying about her new gown, Shirley was tired, and Jefferson could not banish from his mind the terrible news he had just read. He avoided looking at Shirley until the latter noticed it and thought she must have offended him in some way. She was more sorry than she would have him know, for with all her apparent coldness Jefferson was rapidly becoming very indispensable to her happiness.

It was nearly 10 o'clock when they had finished. They sat a little longer listening to the gypsy music, weird and barbaric. Very pointedly, Shirley remarked:

"I for one preferred the music this afternoon."

"Why?" inquired Jefferson, ignoring the petulant note in her voice.

"Because you were more amiable!" she retorted rather crossly. But she could never remain angry long, and when they said good night she whispered demurely:

"Are you cross with me, Jeff?"

He turned his head away, and she saw that his face was singularly drawn and grave.

"Cross—no. Good night. God bless you!" he said, hoarsely gulping down a lump that rose in his throat. Then grasping her hand he hurried away.

Completely mystified, Shirley and her companion turned to the office to get the key of their room. As the man handed it to Shirley he passed her also a cablegram which had just come. She changed color. She did not like telegrams. She always had a dread of them, for with her sudden news was usually bad news. Could this, she thought, explain Jefferson's strange behavior? Trembling, she tore open the envelope and read:

Come home at once. MOTHER.

CHAPTER V.

THEY were four days out from port. Two days more and they would sight Sandy Hook, and Shirley would know the worst. She had caught the North German Lloyd boat at Cherbourg two days after receiving the cablegram from New York. Mrs. Blake had insisted on coming along in spite of her niece's protests. Shirley argued that she had crossed alone when coming; she could go back the same way. Besides, was not Mr. Ryder returning home on the same ship? He would be company and protection both. But Mrs. Blake was bent on making the voyage. She had not seen her sister for many years and, moreover, this sudden summons from America had upset her own plans.

The alarming summons home and the terrible shock she had experienced the following morning when Jefferson showed her the newspaper article with its astounding and heartrending news about her father had almost prostrated Shirley. The blow was all the greater for being so entirely unlooked for. That the story was true she could not doubt. Her mother would not have cabled except under the gravest circumstances. What alarmed Shirley still more was that she had no direct news of her father. For a moment her heart stood still. Suppose the shock of

this shameful accusation had struck him? Her blood froze in her veins, she clinched her fists and dug her nails into her flesh as she thought of the dread possibility that she had looked upon him in life for the last time. She remembered his last kind words when he came to the steamer to see her off and his kiss when he said goodby, and she had noticed a tear of which he appeared to be ashamed. The hot tears welled up in her own eyes and coursed unhindered down her cheeks.

Suddenly she heard a familiar step behind her, and Jefferson joined her at the rail. The wind was due west and blowing half a gale, so where they were standing—one of the most exposed parts of the ship—it was difficult to keep one's feet, to say nothing of hearing any one speak.

"It's pretty windy here, Shirley," shouted Jefferson, steadying himself against a stanchion. "Don't you want to walk a little?"

He had begun to call her by her first name quite naturally, as if it were a matter of course. Indeed, their relations had come to be more like those of brother and sister than anything else. Shirley was too much troubled over the news from home to have a mind for other things, and in her distress she had turned to Jefferson for advice and help as she would have looked to an elder brother.

He was sorry for Judge Rossmore, of course, and there was nothing he would not do on his return to secure a withdrawal of the charges. That his father would use his influence he had no doubt, but meantime he was selfish enough to be glad for the opportunity it gave him to be a whole week alone with Shirley.

Thus events, combined with the weather, conspired to bring Shirley and Jefferson more closely together. The sea had been rough ever since they sailed, keeping Mrs. Blake confined to her stateroom almost continuously. They were therefore constantly in one another's company, and slowly, unconsciously, there was taking root in their hearts the germ of the only real and lasting love—the love born of something higher than mere physical attraction, the nobler, more enduring affection that is born of mutual sympathy, association and companionship.

Jefferson had been casting furtive glances at his companion, and as he noted her serious, pensive face he thought how pretty she was. He wondered what she was thinking of, and suddenly inspired no doubt by the mysterious power that enables some people to read the thoughts of others, he said abruptly:

"Shirley, I can read your thoughts. You were thinking of me."

She was startled for a moment, but immediately recovered her self-possession. It never occurred to her to deny it. She pondered for a moment and then replied:

"You are right, Jeff, I was thinking of you. How did you guess?"

He leaned over her and took her hand. She made a resistance. Her delicate, slender hand lay passively in his big brown one and met his grasp frankly, cordially. He whispered:

"What were you thinking of me—good or bad?"

"Good, of course. How could I think anything bad of you?"

She turned her eyes on him in wonderment; then she went on:

"I was wondering how a girl could

distinguish between the feeling she has for a man she merely likes and the feeling she has for a man she loves."

Jefferson bent eagerly forward so as to lose no word that might fall from those coveted lips.

"In what category would I be placed?" he asked.

"I don't quite know," she answered laughingly. Then seriously she added: "Jeff, why should we act like children? Your actions, more than your words, have told me that you love me. I have known it all along. If I have appeared cold and indifferent, it is because"—She hesitated.

"Because?" echoed Jefferson anxiously, as if his whole future depended on that reason.

"Because I was not sure of myself. Would it be womanly or honorable on my part to encourage you unless I felt I reciprocated your feelings? You are young. One day you will be very rich. The whole world lies before you. There are plenty of women who would willingly give you their love."

"No, no!" he burst out in vigorous protest. "It is you I want, Shirley—you alone."

Grasping her hand more closely, he went on, passion vibrating in every note of his voice: "I love you, Shirley. I've loved you from the very first evening I met you. I want you to be my wife."

Shirley looked straight up into the blue eyes so eagerly bent down on hers, so entreating in their expression, and in a gentle voice full of emotion she answered:

"Jefferson, you have done me the greatest honor a man can do a woman. Don't ask me to answer you now. I like you very much. I more than like you. Whether it is love I feel for you, that I have not yet determined. Give me time. My present trouble and then my literary work."

"I know," agreed Jefferson, "that this is hardly the time to speak of such matters. Your father has first call on your attention. But as to your literary work I do not understand."

"Simply this: I am ambitious. I have had a little success—just enough to crave for more. I realize that marriage would put an extinguisher on all aspirations in that direction."

"Is marriage so very commonplace?" grumbled Jefferson.

"Not commonplace, but there is no room in marriage for a woman having personal ambitions of her own. Once married her duty is to her husband and her children, not to herself."

"That is right," he replied; "but which is likely to give you greater joy—a literary success or a happy wifehood? When you have spent your best years and given the public your best work, they will throw you over for some new favorite. You'll find yourself an old woman with nothing more substantial to show as your life work than that questionable asset, a literary reputation. How many literary reputations today conceal an aching heart and find it difficult to make both ends meet? How different with the woman who married young and obeys nature's behest by contributing her share to the process of evolution. Her life is spent basking in the affection of her husband and the chubby smiles of her dimpled babes, and when in the course of time she finds herself in the twilight of her life, she has at her feet a new generation of her own flesh and blood. Isn't that better than a literary reputation?"

He spoke so earnestly that Shirley looked at him in surprise. She knew he was serious, but she had not suspected that he thought so deeply on these matters. Her heart told her that he was uttering the true philosophy of the ages. She said:

"Why, Jefferson, you talk like a book. Perhaps you are right. I have no wish to be a bluestocking and deserted in my old age, far from it. But give me time to think. Let us first ascertain the extent of this disaster which has overtaken my father. Then if you still care for me, and if I have not changed my mind," here she glanced slyly at him, "we will resume our discussion."

again she held out her hand, which he had released.

"Is it a bargain?" she asked.

"It's a bargain," he murmured, raising the white hand to his lips. A fierce longing rose within him to take her in his arms and kiss passionately the



"It's a bargain," he murmured.

mouth that lay temptingly near his own, but his courage failed him. After all, he reasoned, he had not yet the right.

A few minutes later they left the deck and went downstairs to dress for dinner. That same evening they stood again at the rail watching the mysterious phosphorescence as it sparkled in the moonlight. Her thoughts traveling faster than the ship, Shirley suddenly asked:

"Do you really think Mr. Ryder will use his influence to help my father?"

Jefferson set his jaw fast and the familiar Ryder gleam came into his eyes as he responded:

"Why not? My father is all powerful. He has made and unmade judges and legislators and even presidents. Why should he not be able to put a stop to these preposterous proceedings? I will go to him directly we land, and we'll see what can be done."

So the time on shipboard had passed, Shirley alternately buoyed up with hope and again depressed by the gloomiest forebodings. The following night they passed Fire Island, and the next day the huge steamer dropped anchor at quarantine.

CHAPTER VI.

A MONTH had passed since the memorable meeting of the directors of the Southern and Transcontinental railroad in New York, and during that time neither John Burkett Ryder nor Judge Rossmore had been idle. The former had immediately set in motion the machinery he controlled in the legislature at Washington, while the judge neglected no step to vindicate himself before the public.

Ryder for reasons of his own—probably because he wished to make the blow the more crushing when it did fall—had insisted on the proceedings at the board meeting being kept a profound secret, and some time elapsed before the newspapers got wind of the coming congressional inquiry. No one had believed the stories about Judge Rossmore, but now that a quasi official seal had been set on the current gossip there was a howl of virtuous indignation from the journalistic muck rakers. What was the country coming to? they cried in double leaded type. After the embezzling life insurance officers, the rascality of the railroads, the looting of city treasuries, the greed of the trusts, the grafting of the legislators, had arisen a new and more serious scandal, the corruption of the judiciary. The last bulwark of the nation had fallen. The country lay helpless at the mercy of legalized sandbaggers. Even the judges were

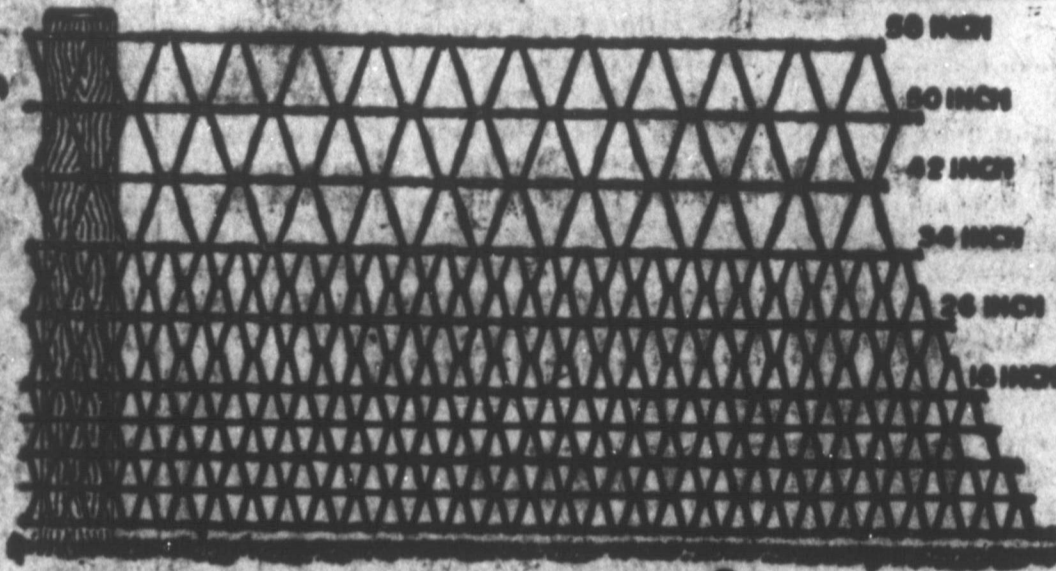
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"Grandbones' August Forecast.

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The little brains the dogs possess Become as sawdust, nothing less, And the crafty butterfly, unseen, Is making oleomargarine.

August was named for Augustus Caesar, who reigned in Rome during the dull season, when Julius Caesar, was spending the heated term at his summer villa on Fairbanks Cove. Augustus Caesar was a silly hairpin, and he made the silly season in Rome historic. Instead of chariot races in the Coliseum, he had races between messenger boys with firecrackers in the seat of their pants. Another of the favorite silly season sports of Augustus was to have the gladiators go into the arena and have pillow fights. To a populace ac-

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The Mighty Conflict.

Whether our system of government fully serves the ends and purposes for which it was originally designed, is a question that often suggests itself to the thoughtful mind. In the preamble of the Constitution among the objects sought to be attained were Domestic tranquility, and the promotion of the general welfare.

No people can be contented and happy, unless the government under which they live, affords equal protection to all, and special privileges to none. It is a deplorable fact that our government has heretofore failed to afford adequate protection to the people from the trusts, that are rapidly multiplying and embracing in their mighty tentacles all the products and commodities of our country. That the masses of the people are the victims of corporate greed, that they are being robbed of the just fruits of their labor, and from a condition of equality and freedom, are being reduced to a state of servitude cannot be denied. The combines are controlling the markets of the country, raising or lowering the prices of commodities at will. How to regulate the corporations and trusts, is the great political problem of the day. Hence the mighty tidal wave of reform that is sweeping over the land, inspiring the efforts of the government to curb and regulate these mighty combinations of capital. There is a prevalent state of unrest and discontent in the public mind, out of which grow strikes, of those engaged in railroad, mining, manufacturing and other enterprises. The greatest strike in history is on today, the telegraphers of the United States and Canada, with few exceptions, have gone out.

This, unless settled soon, will paralyze the business of the country, hamper the operation of the railroads, suspend the transmission of news to the associated press and absolutely stop the sending of

long distance messages, between individuals or business firms.

The combines and rich corporations under the favoring provisions of the law, have of late years accumulated vast wealth, and have in fact dictated the policy of the government, until they have become so mighty that their control by government is a stupendous undertaking, which may never be accomplished. The fight is on, and the victory of the trust and corporations, means the downfall of our republican form of government, and the establishment of an aristocracy of wealth.

Fruit.

Will fruit trees bear in Borden county?

Until three years ago this was a mooted question here. A majority of the people stood on the negative side of this question, and the old settlers, until the last two or three years even claimed that it was impossible to make a living here at farming alone. By actual demonstration this theory has proven false, and Borden is fast developing into a good farming country.

There are but few fruit orchards here old enough to bear, but within the last two years more attention has been given to fruit growing, and quite a number of orchards have been set, out and the trees have done well, where they were properly cared for.

Judge Yellott has a young orchard in Gail, none of the trees being quite 4 years old, which bore well and the fruit was of good quality, this season.

Some of his plum trees were so heavily loaded that the lower limbs would have been broken with the weight of the fruit, had they not rested on the ground. His peaches were of nice size notwithstanding the dry weather, and some were large and of fine flavor, and the family have been enjoying them every day since about the middle of May, and are still eating the fruit as it ripens. This orchard has never had a bucket of water applied to it since the trees were set out, but the only attention given it, was to keep down the grass and weeds about the trees. The setting out of vineyards here, and the making of wine would prove immensely profitable, as the grape flourishes in this climate, the vines bearing very heavily. The success of fruit growing is settled here, and is no longer an experiment.

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SNYDER,

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To bring up a child in the way law unto himself, the sooner you he should go, travel that way make a man of him. Children yourself. Stories first heard at need models more than criticism. a mother's knee are never wholly forgotten; a little spring that We can never check what is in the young unless we cherish never dries up on our journey what is good in them. through scorching years. The Lillo Munger was a visitor to sooner you get a child to be a Gail last Saturday.

Comercial club.

On last Thursday, Lubbock organized a commercial club. By this action this thriving growing city of the plains, has put her shoulders to the wheel, resolving to push along, whatever ends to help the business and prosperity of her people.

A town in the absence of some unusual sources of revenue or advantages of making money will make but slow growth, unless its citizens offer some inducements to attract capital and enterprise.

The Commercial Club is one of the most potent agencies for the development and upbuilding of cities and towns, and in this progressive age are well nigh indispensable. The duties of such an organization are to determine what enterprises are needed to advertise them abroad and to offer substantial inducements for men of means to come and embark in such enterprises. Capital is a coy mistress, and is not much inclined to go where she is not invited. But with sufficient encouragement capital will come, and help us to develop our natural resources and build up our waste places. All that this section needs to make it a glorious country, is capital to develop the resources which nature has so lavishly bestowed upon it.

It is little use for the local editor to waist his lungs and sprain his spine in trying to boom a town when the citizens all stand around with their hands in their pockets and indifferently wait for something to turn up. If the capitalists or business men do not put their shoulders to the wheel and do a little boosting it is useless for the editor to try and boom things. He can write "boom" articles till he gets bald headed, but if the citizens themselves do not take hold and push, the town will forever stick in the mud. Of what use is it for the local paper to suggest improvements and new enterprises if the suggestions are never acted upon? One man cannot boom a town. It requires the concerted action of the citizens. When one man shoulders a town and attempts to carry it, there are always a lot of cranky kickers ready to jump on top of the load. Unity of action is the secret of success.

A horse race is an interesting event to some, but more of your friends are interested in any event that concerns you. If you go away on a visit or friends come to visit you, see that the fact reaches this office before publication day. Having a local system now, we will appreciate any news items you may send us by telephone.

Don't Be Familiar.

I have seen some young ladies who remind me of a pup. You seldom meet with any thing so familiar as and innocent pup, and there is nothing so often trampled on and kicked aside as this same harmless pup. The young lady who makes herself familiar with every young man that happens to come along is sure to be lowered in social circles. Her familiarity is disgusting and she is kicked aside. If the eyes now perusing these lines are sparkling from the face of a fair young woman may the truth hidden in the rough of this paragraph bury itself deep into her mind. You can't afford to shower a spirit of familiarity upon any young man.—Ex.

Mrs. H. H. Nisbett and her daughter Miss Stella, were shopping in Gail on Monday.

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W. E. Horne of McLennan county is visiting with his family, the home of his brother-in-law, J. D. Black. While here, Mr. Horne will look at the country, with the view of possibly locating some where in this section.

L. A. Hicks of the Light neighborhood was shopping in Gail on Thursday.

J. M. Sanderson of Cleaveland, O., representing Ohio Pottery Co. was here taking orders, on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Anderson of Borden, H. B. Anderson of Ira and L. A. Brown of May Brown county left here on Thursday to visit relatives near Ira.

See Towle and Johnson when in Snyder for every thing in good jewelry.

G. W. Miller of the plains, of north Borden and his brother J. W. Miller of San Saba, county, who is visiting him, were both in Gail Monday last.

A. L. Sawyers of Aarkansas and E. E. Watson of Hunt county Texas are visiting V. L. Pearce of North Borden. They are looking at the country with a view of locating.

J. W. Chandler, overseer of the Gail and Big Springs public road, with the assistance of three men built a bridge last Tuesday, across the road opposite the Denton place which had become almost impassible to travel.

Miss Ethel Blankenship returned Monday evening from a visit to Bell county after an absence of several weeks Miss Ethel again fills her position in the Chandler store as sales lady.

County court met on Monday. One case was disposed of, ie. of Hartzog & Cannon vs. Henry Holler, suit for agents commission for sale of real estate. Case was dismissed at cost of plaintiffs defendant, compromising by paying 1-2 commission claimed.

N. H. Graham of Garza was here on Monday.

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T. M. JONES.

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Lost on the Gail and Lubbock road, North from Gail a pocket Book containing \$125.00, consist-of tens, twenties and one five dollar bank note. Reward for recovery of same. For particulars call at the office of Borden Citizen,

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50 " "	35 and 45 "
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J. L. WEATHERS.
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If you want to sell your farm or Ranch write J. F. McCullough Land Co., Snyder, Texas.

I have a nice parasol which was left at the Union church here last Sunday. Owner can call and get same upon paying for advertisement.

T. M. JONES.

J. B. Stokes made a trip to Lamesa this week.

E. Schumm of Runnels county was in Gail, Monday and Tuesday.

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The Whitaker brothers, J. R. Jenkins and D. H. Pruett who is stopping with Mr. Jenkins were in Gail Saturday.

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J. T. Bullard and family who have been visiting the family of D. Dorward Jr. returned to their home at Mineral Wells after a months stay in Borden.

W. S. McClung of Gail left on the mail hack Monday last to visit his relatives at Calvert. He proposes to return the 31st.

J. C. Benton has bought the mail contract and outfit of O. S. Johnson and will operate the line the remaining three years of the contract, from Gail to Big Springs

J. H. McKown and son, Ed McKown of Sparenberg were in Gail yesterday.

Dr. Hannabass had quite a serious accident Friday evening on the Big Springs road just beyond the river. One of his horses caught the rains under his tail and becoming frightened, kicked and wrecked the body of the buggy. The horses then ran off and one of them was badly cut by wire. The doctor had to walk to the old Denton place and get a horse to ride home.

Lee Miller was here this week from Big Springs visiting relatives.

J. C. Benton who made a business trip to Winkler county last week, returning Monday. He reported the country very dry in the locality he visited not having had rain in a long time

The highest market price for eggs at Michael & Robinsons restaurant. Want a thousand dozen.

J. M. Ainsworth who lives on the river was in Gail trading last Monday. Mr. Ainsworth reports it very dry in his neighborhood.

D. Dorward Sr. had an attack on the 13th of Neuralgia of the right shoulder and arm. The pain was so severe that he could not sleep or rest for four or five days. On Monday he was not entirely relieved tho much better.